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PRIORITY

IN ORDER TO ASSURE THE GOVERNMENT MAXIMUM RETURN ON CONTRACT

BT-1943, [REDACTED] PROPOSES TO COMPLETE CERTAIN INSTRUMENTS ON AN ECONOMICAL BASIS. THE FOLLOWING PLAN ASSUMES THAT NO FURTHER FLIGHTS WILL BE ACCOMPLISHED, THAT CAMERA SYSTEMS ABOVE 85 PERCENT WILL BE COMPLETED, AND THAT AFTER COMPLETION THE PROGRAM WILL BE PUT IN "MOTHBALLS."

1. THE UNITS UNDER CONTRACT BT-1943 ARE IN THE INDICATED

PERCENTAGE OF COMPLETION THROUGH THE LEXINGTON DRT FINAL TEST AREA:

85 = 100 PERCENT

04 = 100 PERCENT

97 = 93.4 PERCENT

98 = 98.4 PERCENT

82 = 80.7 PERCENT

2. THE UNITS UNDER CONTRACT IX-4656 ARE LESS THAN 85 PERCENT COMPLETE.

3. UNIT 06 AND ALL ASSOCIATED SUPPORT EQUIPMENT AND SPARES
SHOULD BE PUT IN A SHIPPING CONTAINER AND RETURNED TO BOSTON FOR

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4. UNIT 04 IS IN BOSTON IN A TRANSIT CASE. IT SHOULD BE STORED.
5. UNIT 07 REQUIRES ONLY THE FOLLOWING TO MAKE IT 100 PERCENT PHYSICALLY COMPLETE AND READY FOR LEXINGTON:
 - A) INSTALLATION OF HAPL-13
 - B) INSTALLATION OF BE MIRROR NBR. 11 AFTER CURING AND TEST
 - C) INSTALLATION OF PLATEN WHICH IS 95 PERCENT COMPLETE
 - D) FINAL 128 TESTS.
6. UNIT 08 REQUIRES ONLY THE FOLLOWING TO MAKE IT 100 PERCENT COMPLETE:
 - A) INSTALLATION OF HAPL-11 REQUIRING REASSEMBLY AND TEST
 - B) INSTALLATION OF BE MIRROR NBR. 5 WHICH IS NOW AT FINAL POLISH AND FIGURE.
 - C) INSTALLATION OF PLATEN WHICH IS 90 PERCENT COMPLETE
 - D) MINOR FINAL ASSEMBLY AND TEST AT 128
7. UNIT 02 REQUIRES:
 - A) INSTALLATION OF HAPL-5 AFTER COMPLETION OF CELL REWORK, REASSEMBLY AND TEST.
 - B) INSTALLATION OF EITHER BE MIRROR NBR. 14 OR NBR. 16 WHICH ARE NOW IN FINAL POLISH AND TEST.
 - C) MINOR FINAL ASSEMBLY AND 128 TESTS.
8. DRT ACCEPTANCE TESTING COULD BE ADMINISTERED TO UNITS 07, 08, AND 02 WITH MINIMUM MANPOWER AND FORTY (40) HOUR WEEK AND BE COMPLETED BY APPROXIMATELY 31 JANUARY 1964.
9. THE COSTS TO COMPLETE UNITS 07, 08 AND 02 ARE:

READY FOR DRT DRT COMPLETE

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12, WE HAVE COMPLIED WITH YOUR STOP ORDER AND ARE AWAITING FURTHER INSTRUCTIONS. IMPLEMENTATION OF THE ABOVE PLAN WOULD ALLOW FOR THE MORE ORDERLY DISBANDING OF THE PROJECT AND WOULD APPEAR TO BE IN THE BEST INTEREST OF THE GOVERNMENT. URGE THAT THIS PLAN BE INCORPORATED INTO YOUR TERMINATION INSTRUCTIONS.

END OF MESSAGE

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